


Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box →



U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

IDS FORM INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT				Application Number	10/500,789
				Filing Date	April 11, 2005
				First Named Inventor	Yutaka AWAJIYA
				Group Art Unit	1793
				Examiner Name	Scott R. KASTLER
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	04433/HG

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Exam. Inits*	Cite No ¹	Document Number	Kind Code ²	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Relevant Portion
						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Exam Inits*	Cite No ¹	Offc ³	Document Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Relevant Portion	T ⁶
		EP	1 053 808	A1	SHINAGAWA REFRACTORIES CO., LTD.	11-22-2000		
		TW	418131	B	AKECHI CERAMICS KK	01-11-2001		a
		JP	11-314142	A	NIPPON STEEL CORP	11-16-1999		a

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

* EXAMINER: Initial if document considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Place a check here if English translation is attached.

DATE: May 6, 2008

a ENGLISH-LANGUAGE ABSTRACT ENCLOSED